



Electronic campus founder set to retire

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Editor-in-Chief

Thirty-five years ago, the year was 1976. The movie Rocky transformed Sylvester Stallone into the “Italian Stallion,” the Swedish pop group ABBA added to the list of songs played in teenage movies with “Dancing Queen” and Dr. Jon T. Rickman began transforming Northwest into The Electronic Campus and changing the way students learned.

Rickman is retiring after 35 years dedicated to keeping Northwest at the epicenter of technological advancements.

Prior to working at Northwest, the Maryville native worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and taught at the University of Central Missouri, Pennsylvania State University and Southern Illinois University.

In his 45 years of work, he has also written and edited four books and published nearly 70 articles. In 2002, he helped create the Jean Jennings Bartik Computing Museum at Northwest.

When Rickman began teaching at the University and working as the director of computing services in 1976, things at Northwest were a little different.

“In 1976, we did have a computer science program... and we used pretty much the only computing resource we had at that time, which was an IBM 360,” Rickman said. “Students would have maybe 10 or 15 minutes per week or every so many days they would come in to

a key punch lab and punch up their programs.”

That was then – the ’70s. Those were the years when computers, “would be two times the size of a desk and about five feet tall,” Rickman said.

However, in Rickman’s opinion, Northwest has done a good job thus far in moving forward with the ever changing world of technology.

“The first step in transformation of the campus into a high access, low cost interactive network, was to start buying micro computers and super mini computers,” Rickman said.

Northwest was able to buy these early forms of personal-home desktop computers for little a under \$1,000. Until then, Rickman said most computers cost several hundred thousand dollars.

“The second step was to put together an interactive network of terminals connected to a super time-sharing computer,” Rickman said.

Time-sharing computers came around in the ’60s and were considered a major shift in technology. They allowed for the sharing of a computing resource among many users by means of multiprogramming and multi-tasking.

“With all the money we were saving, we were able to buy several super mini computers. We could buy several a year to where we could have pretty much the basement of Owens library full of time-sharing computers.”



JON RICKMAN

1976

Rickman became director of Computing Services.

1987

Rickman created the 1st campus-wide academic comprehensive computing in the nation.

1987

Northwest became known as the electronic campus.

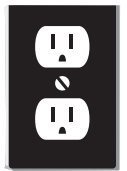
1996

Rickman was promoted to vice president of information systems.

2008

Northwest became the 1st university in the nation to provide students with laptops and textbooks.

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Loan defaults pose no challenge for students

Philip Gruenwald

Opinion Editor

For the 70 percent of Northwest students with federal student loans, defaulting, or failing to pay back the loan, is the thing to avoid. Fortunately for them, the number of Northwest students defaulting on loans, announced last week, decreased from 4.6 to 4.3 percent since last year.

Northwest’s case is in striking opposition to the national average, which saw default rates increase from 7 to 8.8 percent, and Missouri’s average, jumping from 5.8 to 7.6 percent.

“Our default rates have always been lower than the national average,” Del Morley, director of financial assistance, said. “(Students) understand that if you have debt, you have to take care of it. And combine that with our placement rate, which has always been really high, nearly one of the highest in the state, and combine that with the fact that we have good, responsible people who are getting employed, and they take care of business.”

For Northwest’s students, bucking state and national defaulting norms during an un-

settled economy could be the effects of a variety of factors. Better financial training, higher job placement, higher retention rates, increased student employment and competitive graduates top Provost Doug Dunham’s list of reasons for the low rates.

“I could go on for hours why I think the employability is there,” Dunham said. “I think it’s a combination of our faculty doing a good job building those foundational skills in general education, critical thinking, communication and analytical skills.”

Despite the low default rates, Northwest students are borrowing more money than ever before. Beginning in 2008, the U.S. government allowed an additional \$2,000 for students to borrow. The limit on borrowing is \$5,500 for freshmen, \$6,500 for sophomores and \$7,500 for upper classmen. Morley acknowledged that the number of students who borrow money has also increased.

“A large number of our students borrow the maximum that’s available to them each year,” Morley said.

This means that students graduate with debt. For North-

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University pairs up with St. Lukes for new program

Darleen Denno

News Editor

Northwest students studying radiology no longer have to worry about rushing through their bachelor’s degree to start their studies at a medical school. Now they can start medical school during their junior year.

Northwest recently signed an agreement with Saint Luke’s Hospital in Kansas City allowing students to obtain a certificate in radiologic technology from Saint Luke’s School of Radiologic Technology, while completing coursework for a Bachelor of Science degree in radiologic sciences at Northwest.

Radiology involves imaging bones, blood vessels and many other different areas of the body. During their two years at Saint Luke’s, students rotate through the hospital’s 10 clinical sites. This rotation is aimed to make the students more marketable, and to expand their knowledge of various medical fields.

“By the time they finish, they will have experienced a little bit of everything,” Mary Woodridge, program director for Saint Luke’s School of Radiologic Technology, said.

The Board of Regents approved the addition of a Bachelor of Science degree in radiologic sciences to Northwest’s curriculum during the Dec. 17 meeting.

Saint Luke’s Hospital, School of Radiologic Technology is a 24-



DARREN WHITLEY | UNIVERSITY RELATIONS

President John Jasinski and Kevin Thorpe, senior vice president of operations at Saint Luke’s Hospital, shake hands after signing the articulation agreement.

month certificate-granting program. The school offers extensive clinical and didactic instruction to maximize the student’s learning experience. Clinical instruction is the practical application of what is taught in the classroom.

The deadline to submit applications for Fall 2012 is Jan. 13, 2012. Saint Luke’s program is extremely competitive — only 20 students are accepted to the program at Saint Luke’s, and that includes students from other schools.

Participating students com-

plete their first two years at Northwest; during the second year they apply to Saint Luke’s program. After acceptance, students will study at Saint Luke’s for their remaining two years. Of the 129 credit hours required for graduation, 62 are completed at Saint Luke’s. While students study general courses at Northwest, they will pay Northwest’s tuition; likewise when they study at Saint Luke’s, they will pay Saint Luke’s tuition. Students studying at Saint Luke’s have to find their own lodging off campus in the Kansas City area.





KIRA NORTHROP | NW MISSOURIAN

Post Secret’s founder Frank Warren spoke at the Charles Johnson Theatre at the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building Tuesday. Warren’s program assisted people with discovering how to tell people their secrets.

Warren comes to campus

BEN LAWSON
Features Editor

Frank Warren, the man behind Post Secret, has been called “the world’s most trusted stranger” because of the number of secrets people have sent him. Warren gave a lecture Tuesday night on the effect of sharing secrets.

Warren spoke Tuesday in the Charles Johnson Theater. He is the founder of Post Secret, a blog where people send in their secrets anonymously on post cards to share with the world.

When Warren started the project he hoped to receive 365 secrets in one year. But six years after the project’s creation, he has received over 500,000 post cards and five books full of Post Secret cards have been published.

Warren says he grew curious with secrets when he was young.

“Growing up I realized my family kept secrets, some with me, some from me and that might have given me a fascination for exploring secrets,” Warren said.

When Warren explained his project to his family, they did not embrace the idea. His father

grew to appreciate his work after seeing the emotion the project evokes in people. But when Warren offered a free copy of the first Post Secret book to his mother she refused because she did not like the idea of it.

Warren said he never knew the project would grow to this scale. He estimates he receives 100 post cards per day.

“I knew from the very first post card that if I could really earn the trust of strangers and if they would share their deepest, darkest secrets then this could really be something special and precious for me,” Warren said. “Sometimes it can even be burdensome.... But ultimately I feel very privileged that I would be able to earn the trust of so many people and share their precious secrets.”

The relief and catharsis for people who share their secrets is what motivates Warren to continue his work.

“Often times its not as painful as you imagined (to share a secret). It’s never as humiliating as you might think to tell someone you trust your darkest secret,” Warren said.

Study abroad program offers new courses, countries

MARY CONNORS
Chief Reporter

If you could travel anywhere in the world where would it be? Argentina? Scotland? Italy? How about Greece? This year, Northwest’s study abroad program is allowing students the opportunity to visit all of the above and is participating in the Missouri Greece program at the American College of Greece for the first time.

Northwest has always taken pride in the multiple educational opportunities its students are privy to, but this time, Jeaneth Puriel, study abroad coordinator explained the details of the upcoming study abroad opportunity in Athens, Greece.

“This is the first time that this program has been offered,” Puriel said. “There are a variety of courses available to students and all classes are taught in English.”

During spring 2012, from Feb. 21 through June 16, students will be able to take courses that range from art history all the way to physical

education. With only a year away, full time students are required to have at least a 2.5 GPA, apply before Oct. 1, and once in Greece; attend all classes, field trips and required orientations.

The application fee to apply is \$125 and students must pay for their own airfare, books, meals/personal experiences and Northwest health insurance. The MO-Greece program fee is \$9,200 and that includes up to 15 credit hours, housing, visa assistance, transportation, welcome reception and guide, facility usage, doctor visits and field trips.

Located merely two blocks from campus, students will stay in furnished one to three bedroom apartments that have access to Internet, a free laundry site and a fitness center. Students will obtain the full Grecian experience once amongst the 90 percent Greek student body and are encouraged to join clubs and organizations to connect easier.

“The intercultural experience that students receive by being in a different culture is life changing,”

Dawn Gilley, assistant professor in the history department, said. “The ability of learning themselves more and knowing what they are capable of accomplishing somewhere else inspires them to know they can do that here.”

For three weeks in May, students have the option of studying in China, Puerto Rico, Scotland, Ireland, England, Argentina and Italy. These opportunities are faculty led programs in which Northwest faculty travel with the students and teach a course in the country of their choice. Even though students often go on the faculty lead trips, Puriel encourages all students to take advantage of the MO-Greece program.

“The study abroad department is offering a \$600 scholarship to a participating student,” Puriel said. “Every student I’ve encountered comes back a different person from when they left, they are more mature, focused and empowered. I think successfully living there and figuring things out on their own changes them.”



KIRA NORTHROP | NW MISSOURIAN

Patrick Laky assits Kelsey Braesh sign up for Up Til Dawn on Tuesday at J.W. Jones Student Union. This St. Jude’s event is to help raise money for children whose families have the inability to pay hospital bills.

Students look to fight, prevent cancer

MARY CONNORS
Chief Reporter

It has over 41 symptoms; blood clots, hair loss, difficulty chewing, sleeping, swallowing and nausea - just to name a few. According to the National Cancer Institute in 2007, 10,400 children under the age of 15 were diagnosed with cancer. This week, Northwest is lending a helping hand through Up ’Til Dawn sponsoring events in efforts to raise awareness and money for St. Jude’s Hospital.

For over five years, Northwest has been a part of this movement to support research and healthcare for cancer patients. Up ’Til Dawn is a student run organization where

over 200 colleges and universities, nation-wide, participate in campaigning and fundraising for St. Jude’s. Established in 1998, the name was derived from the celebration event that teams across the nation partake in each year as they sacrifice a night’s sleep to honor patients and family members who experience many sleepless nights.

Junior Anissa DeMarr, is one of the team’s co-chair representatives on the St. Jude’s executive board and has had the pleasure of being involved with this epidemic for the last three years.

“I participated because I feel that what our organization does and all the efforts of campus students is for such a great cause,”

DeMarr said. “Doing something bigger than myself is important to me.”

Every month, the teams host a fundraising event, this week’s focus has been on raising awareness and encouraging others to participate. Monday, the teams distributed flyers and stickers but switched it up Tuesday to host a bake sale outside of the J.W. Jones Student Union. On Wednesday they accepted donations from residents of Roberta Hall as they collected their trash. Today, is “Register yourself and your team” day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.in the Union. Coffee and stickers are distributed Friday and

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Weekend Events	
Friday, September 30	
DeLuce Gallery: Northwest's Department of Art Faculty Exhibit Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building	Fall Classic at Arrowhead: Northwest Night 7 p.m. at Kansas City Power and Light
Homecoming 5K Registration Deadline	Theatre Northwest Freshman/Transfer Showcase: Almost Maine 7:30 p.m. at Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts
St. Jude Up 'til Dawn Awareness Week Team Sign Ups	
Saturday, October 1	
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Community Service	Theatre Northwest Freshman/Transfer Showcase: Almost Maine 7:30 p.m. at Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts
DeLuce Gallery: Northwest's Department of Art Faculty Exhibit Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building	J.W. Jones Student Union at 8 PM DeLuce Gallery: Northwest's Department of Art Faculty Exhibit
National Day, China and Nigeria	
Soccer at Nebraska-Omaha	Family Weekend Archives B.D. Owens Library
St. Jude Up 'til Dawn Canning Arrowhead Stadium	St. Jude Up 'til Dawn Awareness Week Team Sign-ups
Volleyball: Pittsburg State's Regional Challenge Pittsburg, KS Northwest vs. Newman at 11 a.m. Northwest vs. St. Edward's at 3 p.m.	All You Can Eat Brunch Buffet J.W. Jones Student Union at 11 AM
SAT 8 a.m. at Colden Hall	Strut your Mutt Dog Walk and Festival Beal Park at 1-3PM
Fall Classic at Arrowhead: Football vs. Pittsburg State 2 p.m. at Arrowhead Stadium	Catholic Mass Newman Center at 7 PM
	Homecoming Fall Meetings Colden Hall at 7 PM
Sunday, October 2	
DeLuce Gallery: Northwest's Department of Art Faculty Exhibit Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building	Performing Arts B.A.N.G. (Bring a New Greek) 3 p.m. at J.W. Jones Student Union
St. Jude Up 'til Dawn Team Sign Ups	Catholic Mass 7 p.m. at Newman Center
Theatre Northwest Freshman/Transfer Showcase: Almost Maine 2 p.m. at Ron Houston Center for the	Homecoming Fall Meetings 7 p.m. at Colden Hall



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Ministry Center Volunteer Ron Eckerson helps pack up a client’s car on Tuesday. Ministry Center Volunteer Ron Eckerson helps pack up a client’s car on Tuesday.

Missouri families hurt by poverty rate

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Chief Reporter

New data released from the U.S. Census Bureau last week shows the economic downturn continues to hurt Missouri families, including those living in Nodaway County.

The 2010 American Community Survey reports unemployment and poverty rates have increased while median household income has decreased.

Government assistance and community efforts, like those available at Community Services and at The Ministry Center in Maryville, are working to help meet the basic needs of increasing numbers of local families.

“We continually see new individuals and families in our office who need assistance in some way,” Carla Summa, Community Services operations director, said.

The poverty rate in Nodaway County is at 21 percent, well above the state average of 14.6 percent, which Summa said means approximately 4,900 people are living at or below the poverty rate.

The bright spot in the new numbers is the August unemployment rate for Nodaway County is at 7.7 percent, down from 8.1 percent in July. But while those numbers appear to be better, the median household income has decreased 3.8 percent in the last year, down from \$46,047 in 2009 to \$44,301.

“To give you an idea of annual income, a family of four would be making \$22,050 at 100 percent of poverty,” Summa said, which means over a quarter of households in the county fall into that category.

To assist those individuals, Community Services offers a variety of programs aimed at improving their quality of life, including an energy assistance program, rent and utility assistance, a weekend food program for school-aged children and help with taxes.

They also offer help during the holidays through The Salvation Army, which relies on contributions from the public.

New this year, Community Services will also provide budgeting and nutrition resources.

“Our ultimate goal is to help low-income families and individuals achieve self-sufficiency,” Summa said. “It is our hope that we can help them stretch those dollars in these hard economic times.”

Another local entity that depends on donations and is experiencing the effects of the economy is The Ministry Center.

“Most of the time our numbers run steady,” Rod Shain, food pantry director, said. “But they have doubled this year.”

In January, the pantry served 215 families, and in August, it was up to 438.

Without the help of the community, Shain said the food pantry would not be able to keep up with their rising number of clients.

“It’s phenomenal the amount of food that goes out,” he said. “We’re so thankful for Nodaway County and that they are such a giving community. That’s what keeps us going and what allows us to do what we do.”

To contact the food pantry, call (660) 582-6649, or Community Services at (660) 582-3113.

School drug testing debate postponed

DARLEEN DENNO
News Editor

Random drug testing is under debate at Maryville High School. The Maryville R-II Board of Education met Wednesday, Sept. 21 and discussed the need and effectiveness of random drug testing within the district.

The topic of random drug testing within the Maryville school district has been stirring for nearly a year. The discussion started during the October 2010 Board of Education meeting. The topic was tabled until Larry Lithacum, Maryville R-II superintendent, took position in February 2011. The Board then voted to postpone a decision indefinitely. Lithacum re-presented it to the Board during last week’s meeting. The Board will not vote on random drug testing in Maryville R-II

Schools until Lithacum presents his recommendation.

He will make his recommendation for random drug testing to the Board in February 2012 after examining other school districts’ methods. The Board will vote in late spring or early summer. Until then, he is researching different processes and procedures for random drug testing. He is gathering thoughts and opinions from patrons and parents through surveys.

Maryville High School’s current drug policy states that the “use, sale, transfer, distribution, possession or being under the influence” of any type of unauthorized drug or drug paraphernalia is strictly prohibited on any school property or at any school-sponsored event. The policy states that any student can be

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Diabetes class to bring awareness

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The University of Missouri and members of the Northwest Technical School have paired up to provide classes for individuals and their families who are affected by diabetes.

“Eat Well, Be Well with Diabetes,” is a four-part class that gives information about eating well and assistance with diabetes starting Oct. 4.

“The class is designed to provide you with practical information and skills to help people with diabetes,” Kelli Wilmes, a nutrition and health education specialist at the University of Missouri said.

Wilmes will run the classes, and says she looks forward to seeing who will come and what will come out of it.

“Basically, what we use for the class is a conversation map,” Wilmes said. “It is different because I am not up there lecturing but actually taking part in the whole learning process.”

The program will use open-ended questions to give a personal

feel to the classes. By mixing patients of all ages, Wilmes hopes to see personal accomplishment in them and the chance for patients to share stories with each other.

“Some of the patients have had diabetes for 20 years and some for two weeks. They are able to share and it makes it more personal I think,” Wilmes said.

The class is split into four parts, allowing each session to teach something new. The first part talks about what diabetes is, giving basic information and talking about what the body is going through. The second talks about the plate method, how that can be incorporated into your diet and eating healthy. The third discusses carbohydrate counting and finally the class covers blood sugar monitoring, complication and how to continue on your journey with diabetes.

“The class outline comes from the University of Missouri, out of a program called Dining with Diabetes,” Wilmes said. “They basically revamped it to keep up with the times and added in the conversa-

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ERIC BAINES | NW MISSOURIAN

Jon Rickman retires after 35 years of innovation. Northwest continues what he began.

OUR VIEW: THE RICKMAN LEGACY

Keep the momentum going

As unfortunate as it is to lose a legend like Jon Rickman, vice president of information systems, the bigger let-down would be to lose the momentum he kicked off 35 years ago.

That momentum was driven by a winning record of setting the bar higher and higher - and putting Northwest on the map as a leader in technological innovation. To suddenly slow down and let another university take over as trendsetter would be devastating.

Here's how it could happen: Northwest students, having been nicked and dined by ever-in-

creasing tuition and student fees offset by lower federal scholarships, draw the line and reject the next major technology fee increase.

Our best-case scenario after this would be another year or two with the current batch of rentable notebooks, which by that point would be three years old and in need of significant repair. Our worst-case scenario would be contentment with the status quo, settling for logical next-step software and hardware instead of pursuing cutting-edge technology.

This year's bevy of changes came with an increase in student

fees, and resulted in new notebooks, updated technology, better email, faster bandwidth and much more online storage.

Let's continue moving forward. Is it time for tablets instead, a la iPad? Can we have elective software packages like design, science and photo to cut back on fees and personalize the notebooks for specific student needs?

As the rest of information systems considers how to best keep Northwest technologically relevant, we all owe Rickman a big thank you.

Thank you.

Indifference despite the information age



Philip Gruenwald
Opinion Editor

The headline screams at its viewer, "SAUDI ARABIA: Reforms will allow women to vote but not drive," from the Los Angeles Times' website Sept. 25.

If you haven't followed human rights in Saudi Arabia lately - and let's face it, most of us haven't - the news is as jarring as it is exciting. Thank goodness those women will have a voice in their government, but who had any idea there were industrialized countries in 2011 that ban certain citizens from driving?

Put bluntly, very few of us. Too few of us, actually.

We are living at a time of unprecedented information flow; the old saw about the "wealth of information at your fingertips" is 100 percent accurate. For Americans, our challenge becomes sifting through the information, which is

a luxury unknown to most of the world.

As of June 30, 78.2 percent of Americans had access to the Internet, according to internet-worldstats.com. For percent of population, that puts us, in order, behind the United Kingdom, Korea, Germany and Japan.

Egypt, Libya and Bahrain - who recently launched their revolutions through Facebook discussion and became the epicenters of Middle Eastern revolt - didn't even make the top 20 on the list. If oppressed, under-resourced nations can topple dictators with limited Internet access, what are we as Americans using our Internet for?

The Sept. 22 Facebook changes trended on Twitter, and simply blew up both social media goliaths. Several users spotted the irony, posting that some people use Facebook to protest a lack of human rights while Americans use Facebook to protest Facebook.

We have the potential for more. The popular postings tend to react

to news or current events, when the opposite can be achieved. For years, media scholar John Fiske's studies have shown that public opinion sways media coverage. In 1987, he wrote, "Popularity is here a measure of a cultural form's ability to serve the desires of its customers... For a cultural commodity to become popular, it must be able to meet the various interests of the people amongst whom it is popular as well as the interests of its producers."

This means that using social media to react to the Teen Music Awards, angry talk show hosts like Glenn Beck, professional football games and Jersey Shore only encourage more media coverage and, consequently, more information to sift through on the Internet.

The next time you feel like sharing something with the world, find a piece of real news and post it, along with your opinion of it. You could call attention to a true injustice, and expedite the process of fixing it.

RELATIONSHIP COLUMN: TALKING

Begin your discussions - gently

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Personal Development & Counseling Services
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You've seen it on TV or witnessed it in public.

She says something like, "You never show me you care! You don't text me enough."

He abruptly quips, "You're so needy."

She retorts, "Needy? You're the needy one! What's wrong with you?! Are you even listening to me?"

His blood pressure soars. Her pulse increases. He shuts down. She gets louder. Pretty soon neither person is able to listen or be heard by the other. (Oh, and did I mention they have been dating for months and have been discussing moving in soon and possibly marriage?) Sound familiar?

What's wrong with this picture?

According to 40 years of research from the Gottman Relationship Institute in Seattle, plenty is wrong. For starters, she begins the conversation harshly—what relationship scientist Dr. John Gottman has coined: "Harsh Start-up." Harsh start-up occurs when one person in the relationship brings up an issue in an emotionally intense, often accusatory way. Frequently, the harsh start-up begins with a "you always" or "you never" statement.

A harsh start-up usually causes the recipient to feel defensive. When we are being defensive, we're not really listening - we're too busy verbally defending our position.

These harsh verbal and emotional conditions create fertile ground for hurt feelings, misunderstandings, soaring tempers and emotional distance between couples—the exact opposite conditions that people really want in their relationships. This is where a softer approach is needed instead.

"Softened Start-up" or also called "Gentle Start-up" is the perfect antidote to the above interaction, and it has been proven to work predictably well when people use it correctly to bring up an issue. Considering how often conversations involving difficult topics go wrong between people—a whopping 96 percent of the time when Harsh Start-up is used—increasing your odds for better communication by using a Softened Start-up is a wiser, more sophisticated approach.

Gottman explains that "Softened Start-up" is simply bringing up an issue in a caring way that is more objective. Be polite, use an "I-statement," share appreciations and objectively state what you observe and what you



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Rhonda Lesley is a Licensed Professional Counselor and a Certified Gottman Relationship Therapist. She counsels students in the Personal Development and Counseling Services as part of Northwest's Wellness Services. Rhonda also leads research-based weekend couples workshops and marathon couples therapy. Call her at 660.562.1348.

need from your partner in positive terms. In the above example, a softer approach would have gone something like this:

She says, "I'd really like you to show me you care by texting more often."

He replies, "Really? You don't think I'm texting you enough?"

She states, "Well, in all honesty, I love it when you text me, and I need just a couple more texts from you throughout the day. Would you give it a try?"

He says, "I can text you a couple more times, now that I know it is important to you."

She replies, "Yeah, that would really help."

He thinks to himself, "Cool. She's really into me! Texting is an easy way to show her I care."

She thinks, "Wow. He's a pretty caring guy. I'm so lucky to be with a guy who is willing to try to understand me."

Voila! They are now happy and likely are feeling closer and emotionally and romantically interested in each other.

So, do you want to be happier in your relationship? Do what "The Masters" do, and use a softer approach when bringing up issues. It's also important to avoid being defensive when listening to your partner bringing up an issue. Learn to accept some responsibility for at least part of the issue when your partner brings up a legitimate concern. The Masters really do this, and they reap the rewards of being happier and closer with each other. Now, go give it a try.

CAMPUS TALK

Was the notebook-rental system a factor in choosing Northwest?



"It was not. It was brand new my freshman year when I first came here, and with the campus being a national arboretum, that was more of the reason I came here. "

Ronny Auxier
Horticulture



"Yes, it was a major deciding factor for me to come here. I now have access to a computer, and it's very useful for me to use in my dorm room, and not have to go to the library for resources."

Marlon Oliver
Prelaw



"I actually already owned my own laptop, but what I thought was really cool is the wireless network all around Northwest. It's a lot easier to have the Northwest laptop to be able to connect anywhere."

Katie Cole
Marketing Management



"No. I had my own personal laptop and I've used it for many other things like doing architecture work... so I've had to have machines that are a little more powerful than the Northwest laptops."

Miles Skillman
Special Education



"Yes, at first. It saves me a lot of money and it's convenient. Then I started to look more into how Northwest was a teaching institution, and that's what attracted me to it. "

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Plans to constrict civil, Internet rights averted



Stefan Pyles
Contributing Columnist

Recently, Missouri passed into law a bill outlawing private communication between teachers and students via social networking sites and other forms of electronic media. The Road-To-Hell-Paving intention of the bill was to prevent sexual misconduct between teachers and students. Missouri lawmakers have since repealed the bill, after a series of important dialogues ensued.

The law raises myriad more concerns than the few, rare incidents that it sought to avert. The Internet is the final frontier of virtually unregulated freedom of speech. Radio, television and paper media are all under the legal scrutiny of the government, yet presently, the Internet operates almost entirely free of governmental interference.

What defines the technologically hastened age in which we live is the perpetually streaming information to which are we constantly

subjected. With an ever-increasing population of students and an unfortunate decrease in the number of employed teachers, any hope of connectivity generating between the two - once a valued aspect of schooling - declines steadily with each new generation. Social networking sites such as Facebook and communication means such as text messaging shrink the widening gap between teachers and their pupils by offering fast, convenient systems of interaction. This is a time when large class sizes, short class times, grading, extracurricular activities and after-school jobs inhibit the development of meaningful relationships, that inspire the thirst for knowledge and appreciation for education. Therefore, these alternative pathways become necessary to avoid degrading the timeless teacher-student bond into something pathetically superficial.

Fortunately, and in defense of the First Amendment, Missouri lawmakers repealed the bill and placed the responsibility of instituting ethical guidelines in regards to teacher-student interaction beyond the classroom in the hands

of the individual schools' administrators and faculty. My earnest fear is that this bill would catalyze a national invasion of the Internet by governmental entities subsidized with the learning of the law's repeal.

Freedom of Speech - the most fundamental and inalienable of all American rights expressed in the Bill of Rights - would have suffered a debilitating blow had the law remained in effect. There is no greater injustice than the enactment of a law establishing limitations on speech, even and especially between teachers and students. Though it may seem irrationally paranoid, I do not believe it far-fetched thinking such a bill would have opened the proverbial floodgates to government intrusion into deeper and far more personal areas of American life. If teacher-student interactions necessitate scrutiny and criminalization, what is to bar lawmakers from passing similar laws concerning doctor-patient, priest-parishioner or attorney-client relationships? I cannot fathom a deadlier power granted to any government, anywhere.

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RICKMAN

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“Then we networked them together and then we had enough computing power with little more expansion that we were able to provide computing access to all the residence halls and all the offices and labs across campus and network them with a very large data switch.

“It had 3,000 connections to it and we had all kinds of terminals and PCs connected across campus to this cluster of time-sharing machines.”

In 1987, Rickman created the first campus-wide academic computing network and residence hall network in the nation, and coined the term “The Electronic Campus.”

“Dr. Hubbard and I had a meeting trying to come up with a name for this expanded access to time-sharing computers on campus and we had a whole list of different names... but the electronic campus sounded great to both of us,” Rickman said. “Of course we were recognized for that by the Washington Post and after that article, the name really did stick with Northwest Missouri State University.”

For nearly 35 years, Northwest has been “The Electronic Campus.” With Rickman heading out the door, the University has plans to continue the technological legacy.

“The next step is pretty much a step-by-step of getting the campus ready for a more diverse client

platform environment,” Rickman said. “We’ve done a good job of converting a lot of the applications to a web-centric or web-based application.”

The client Rickman refers to, is the device used to connect/talk to the network.

“It may be a notebook computer, it may be a desktop, it might be an iPad, it might be a smart phone,” he said. “The goal is to become more and more client platform independent so all of those can do more of the applications on campus.”

Now that Rickman is walking away from his 35 years at Northwest and 45 years in the industry, spending time with his family, including eight grand kids, is his priority.

Like many though, who leave Northwest when their time is up, the University community will continue to regard Rickman as an important member of the Bearcat family.

“Dr. Rickman is a teacher-scholar, a historian, a visionary, a doer, a Bearcat,” Northwest President Dr. John Jasinski said. “Through his 45 years in the industry and 35 years of superlative service at Northwest, he has had a bird’s eye view of historical changes in information technology.

“He helped stake Northwest to a leadership position, and we are thankful for his contributions. Bearcat Nation is a connected nation and Jon is deeply connected to our history and has had a key hand in helping us all connect in ways unimaginable just decades ago.”

LOAN

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west students, the average is \$19,828, still about \$4,000 below the state average.

Morley is pleased with the low numbers, but warns of higher interest rates on the horizon. Current rates are 6.8 percent for unsubsidized loans, which charge interest from the time the money’s dispersed up until the loan is paid off, and 3.4 percent for the need-based subsidized loans, which ignore interest rates until six months after graduation. This year marks the end of the low 3.4 percent rate.

“Five years ago, Congress passed a bill that over a four-year period reduced the interest rate,” Morley said. “This year it bottoms out. And if Congress doesn’t do

anything, and I don’t think they’re going to, next year that rate will also be 6.8...They’re also proposing doing away with the interest subsidy during the six-month grace period. And they estimate that over a five-year period, it would save \$3.2 billion or something like that.”

While Northwest students try to juggle midterms, organizations and other responsibilities, Dunham and Morley believe that Northwest will continue to keep students educated about their student loans in the midst of the fluctuating political arena.

“We received a grant from the Missouri Department of Higher Education to see if we can more effectively teach personal financial responsibility,” Dunham said. “So we’ll be developing that over the next year.”

DIABETES

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tion map.”

The classes are open for anyone wanting to know more about diabetes and living a healthier lifestyle. Classes are \$25 per person and \$40 for a family of two. The classes are from 10 a.m. to noon and begin on Oct. 4 at the Northwest Technical School.

Other classes will be available at a later date, upon request, for individuals unable to attend regu-

lar class times.

Family members are encouraged to come and listen to tips on how to help someone they know, but also gain information about eating healthy in their own life.

“Really anyone can come, the truth is that a diabetic diet is a good one to follow for anyone,” Wilmes said. “The whole reason we want the person that has diabetes to come, is that a lot of the focus is on management. It is good for both the patient and the family to be there, to understand it more.”

FEATURE PHOTO



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Emily Reeb, Courtney Schelp and Sara Parks give out free hugs on Tuesday outside of J.W. Jones Student Union. The girls saw it on a YouTube and wanted to spread cheer and smiles around to others.

DRUGS

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searched if they are “reasonably suspected to be in violation of this policy.”

An estimated 70 percent of schools in Missouri have a random drug testing policy.

“Do I think we have a problem? No, no I don’t,” Lithacum said. “But I also know that we want to be proactive on things. If there is a problem, it is something we want to know about.”

Though he does not think Maryville schools have an overwhelming drug problem, Lithacum chooses not to ignore the possible presence of a random drug testing policy.

“If we did nothing, we would be sticking our head in the sand,” Lithacum said. “As a district we’re trying to instill kids to make good choices, be responsible for your own actions, empower them to make good choices.”

He fears that students will see random drug testing as just another rule meant to “nail” them.

“I don’t want the school philosophy at all to be ‘Oh, we’re trying to nail kids, or catch kids doing drugs’ because that’s not it at all,” Lithacum said. “We’re wanting to help them be responsible, hold them accountable.”

If Maryville R-II schools ultimately decides to implement random drug testing, their policy could look similar to Albany’s: “The School District shall conduct random drug and alcohol testing of students in grades 6-12 as a condition of participation in interscholastic athletics, competitive extra-curricular activities, and on-campus parking. Eligible athletics and activities shall include those activities regulated by the Missouri State High School Activities Association, excluding all activities for which students receive an academic grade for participation.”

Albany R-III School District’s random drug testing policy started two years ago after increased drug activity. Bryan, Albany R-III superintendent, said the district wanted to be proactive, so they created the policy. They hired an outside company to perform the random drug


tests. That company can test for common drugs, such as marijuana and prescription medications, as well as lesser-known drugs such as K2 synthetic marijuana.

In short, students who park at the school and participate in sports or extra-curricular activities are subjected to random drug testing. Their names are stored in a database and a number of them are chosen at random during consistent time intervals.

The line between which students would be eligible for random drug testing in Maryville is currently unclear. Due to questions regarding the current policy, Maryville R-II schools are evaluating their current code of eligibility, Lithacum said. If approved, the random drug testing policy would be incorporated into the updated code of eligibility and implemented in the 2012-2013 school year.

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CANCER

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on Saturday the teams from Northwest will compete with teams from Pittsburg State University to collect the most money during their canning competition at 10 a.m. before the football game in Kansas City.

“Last year we raised a lot of money,” sophomore Lauren Fout, Public

relations chairmen said. “Everyone is so positive and wants to help out as much as they possibly can.”

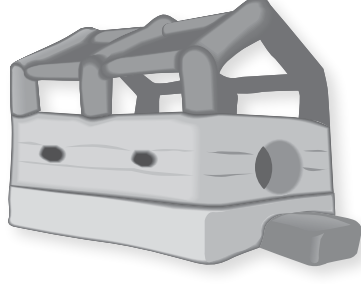
Up Til Dawn hosts two big events a year, the Colden Pond Plunge and the Letter Writing Campaign. The Colden Pond Plunge will take place in February, but the Letter Writing Campaign will take place Nov. 9.

“Last year over 650 students participated,” DeMarr said. “We ask each person to bring 50 addresses

and Up Til Dawn provides the letters and stamps, there’s free food, games and prizes to win from local businesses.”

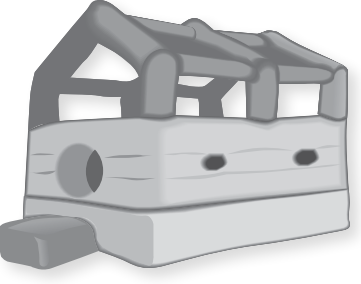
Northwest was able to raise \$35,000 for St. Jude’s last year and has plans to raise even more this year.

“Seeing how passionate everyone is and the length that people go to donate to such a good cause is an amazing experience,” Fout said.



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Blotter from the Maryville Department of Public Safety

Sept. 25
There is an ongoing investigation of burglary at 100 block West 9th Street.

Sept. 24
An accident occurred between Ronnie L. Moss, 72, Maryville, MO, and Phillip R. Forney, Hopkins, MO, at 1500 block East 1st Street.

Sept. 23
Marques W. Gomillian, 21, Maryville, MO, was charged for possession of marijuana and wanted on warrant for failure to appear at 400 block University Drive.

Jessica R. Allison, 20, Maryville, MO, was charged with MIP and open container of intoxicants in a motor vehicle at 400 block University Drive.

Sept. 22
Michael W. Wilmes, 42, Maryville, MO, was charged with domestic assault at 2500 block Aurora Avenue.

Sept. 21
Daniel J. Fitzmier, 19, Mound City, MO, was charged with driving while suspended, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to display license plates at 500 block West South Hills Drive.

Ignacio Salazar-Romo, 28, Maryville, MO, was charged with driving while suspended at 1300 block South Main.

Sept. 19
There is an ongoing investigation for failure to return rental property at 2200 block South Main.

Dylan M. Krzyzopolski, 19, Maryville, MO, was charged for failure to appear at 400 block North Market.

There was recovered property (tools) at 200 block North Vine.

There was recovered property (bicycle) at 300 block Lynn Lane.

Joel J. Delong, 18, Maryville, MO, was charged with driving without a valid driver’s license and speeding at 600 block North Country Club.

Sept. 17
There was a fire report of smoke investigation at 1200 block Fox Road.

Sept. 9
An accident occurred between Taylor E. Dougan, 18, Ravenwood, MO, and Linda D. Shelby, 48, Skidmore, MO, at South Market and East Cooper. Dougan was issued a citation for failure to yield.

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Sept. 25
Michael P. Longhenry, 44, of Independence, MO was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for 2nd degree assault and operating an vehicle while intoxicated resulting in injury.

Sept. 22
Larry R. Boller, 50, Clearmont, MO was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for promoting child pornography in the 1st degree, and possession of child pornography.

Sept. 21
David D. James, 26, of Maryville, MO was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for driving while intoxicated, exceeding the posted speed limit by 16-19 miles per hour, the driver/front seat passenger was less than 16 years old, and failure to properly wear a safety belt.

Sept. 19
Phillip Flanagan, 20, St. Joseph, MO was arrested for possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana.

Sept. 17
Devon J. O’Kane, 19, Linneus, MO was

arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Sept. 16
A Maryville, MO subject reported \$30 stolen from her wallet.

A Maryville, MO subject reported damage to her mailbox.

A Ravenwood, MO subject reported fraudulent use of his debit/credit card.

Sept. 15
William A. Yuracheck, 21, St. Peters, MO was arrested for possession of up to 35 grams of marijuana.

Dustin J. Dowden, 20, Maryville, MO was arrested for failure to stop at a stop sign and possession of up to 35 grams of marijuana. Michael A. Petersen, 23, Maryville, MO was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for failure to register as a sex offender.

A Hopkins, MO subject reported that he was assaulted at his home by two unknown individuals.

Sept. 14
A Skidmore, MO subject reported theft of a toolbox.

Sept. 13
A Clearmont, MO subject reported that her dog had been killed by a pack of dogs that had been dumped in town.

Brian L. Hunt, 37, Burlington Junction, MO was issued a summons for animal neglect.

A Skidmore, MO subject reported his vehicle stolen from the side of the road near Wilcox, MO.

Clayton N Parsons, 23, Maryville, MO was arrested on a Nodaway County warrant for 2 counts of domestic assault and 1 count of armed criminal action.

Sept. 11
Sherri D. Livengood, 43, Maryville, Mo was arrested for the use or possession of drug paraphernalia.

Sept. 8
A Maryville, MO subject reported that someone had fraudulently used her debit/credit device.

Sept. 1
Angela R. Warder, 48, of Barnard, MO, and Craig A. Warden, 42, of Barnard, MO were arrested for stealing.

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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

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Down

- 1 Israeli submachine gun
- 2 Source of Eve's leaves
- 3 Yoko from Tokyo
- 4 Dead Sea find
- 5 Web opinion piece
- 6 Puerto _
- 7 Part of IMF: Abbr.
- 8 Must
- 9 French sponge cake
- 10 Having the most pizzazz
- 11 These, in Tijuana
- 12 Intimidate
- 13 Loses control on the ice
- 21 Host Conan of NPR's "Talk of the Nation"
- 22 Rudolph's is red
- 23 Book of maps
- 24 Engage in an online scam
- 25 _-Bismol
- 28 Tease
- 29 "Evil Woman" gp.
- 30 Delhi tongue
- 34 "Going Rogue" author Sarah
- 35 Give way
- 36 Mushers' vehicles
- 38 Greek _ Church
- 40 Oct. follower
- 41 D.C.'s Pennsylvania, e.g.
- 44 Suffix with tele- or Dance-A-
- 46 Celtic language
- 49 Firstborn
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- 52 Taken _-: surprised
- 53 Showed again

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Answers for Sept. 22 issue.

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58 Galway's land
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64 Dorothy Parker forte
65 Arctic pier material

Horoscopes:

Today's Birthday (09/29/11). Success and abundance can be yours this year.

It will take some financial planning. It's easy to spend money blindly. Keep to a plan, and watch your holdings swell. You have plenty of ambition. Balance it with love and friendship for deep satisfaction.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is a 7 -- Go ahead and get inspired by visionary artists. Set a lofty goal for yourself. Go over your resources, and pay attention to details. Take it slow, and enjoy.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Express a heartfelt message, and the love comes back magnified. Save up for something you've always wanted. Something works that you never thought would. Say "please" and "thank you."

Gemini (May 21-June 21) -- Today is a 7 -- Last night's dreams set the stage for an intensely creative day. A fantasy's achievable now through

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steady, focused action. Get help from an expert, and take it easy.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) -- Today is a 7 -- You're luxuriously lovely and loving for the next two days. Light candles for yourself or someone else. Convey your gratitude, even as you rest quietly at home.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Tackle a home improvement project. You've got the energy. Let a loved one teach you. Do the homework first, and then save a bundle by doing it yourself. Celebrate with a photo after.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- It's up to you: What's your intention? You can have whatever you're willing to go for. Clean up a mess. Accept a lucrative new challenge. Study provides solutions.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- Patience is a virtue, especially when it comes to planting seeds and harvesting the fruits of your labor. Continue the good work. Feed the soil with delicious compost.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today

is a 5 -- A dream may very well come true now. Now's a good time to journey with a friend. Rather than doing all the talking, listen intently. You discover something illuminating.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 6 -- If you feel like being alone, go ahead. If you feel like being social, let yourself play. Either way, others find you attractive. Indulge your curiosity.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is a 9 -- Your career gets an ultra boost today. Your confidence looks good on you. Take advantage of your charm in the social arena to forward a project you really care about.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is an 8 -- You may be called upon for a leadership role now. Make sure to clear distractions from your schedule so you can accomplish what you set out to do.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Learn from a recent loss, and complete as much as possible of an older project. In the eye of the storm, take stock of resources and replenish what you can.

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Arrowhead Fall Classic: Tradition going strong

JASON LAWRENCE Sports Editor

What started out as a single-game move has turned into a nine-year partnership and one of the most anticipated games of the year for Northwest and Pittsburg State.

In fall 2002, with renovations underway at Rickenbrode Stadium, former athletics director Dr. Bob Boerigter approached former President Dean Hubbard about moving the Homecoming Game to Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City.

"I knew we would not be able to accommodate the crowd at the normal levels," Boerigter said. "So I went down and contacted the Chiefs. We found out that we really had a conflict if we played them on a Saturday, but if we were willing to move the game that week with Pitt to Thursday, they would accommodate us and we could make that work."

The Homecoming Game was moved to a later date and the "Clash of Champions" was born. Northwest won that game 29-7, in what the athletics department had said would be a one-year deal.

The following year, the Chiefs approached Pitt State about hosting the game and taking on all of the financial risks and planning responsibilities that Northwest had the previous year. Pitt State accepted, and the "Clash of Cham-

pions" became the Fall Classic. "The second year we showed up, played the game and had nothing to do with any of the work," Boerigter said. "We weren't involved in any of the planning and didn't get any money."

The Bearcats took the second meeting at Arrowhead 20-19 behind a blocked field goal.

After that, the Chiefs invited both teams back to make it an annual game and share all of the responsibility and revenue in a three-way partnership. The front office of the Chiefs had a lot to do with turning the Fall Classic into a long-term deal.

"Lamar Hunt, who was the owner of the Chiefs, was a big fan of college football," Boerigter said. "And Carl Peterson, who was the long-time president, started his coaching career at a Division II school. He had a warm spot in his heart for Division II athletics, particularly Division II football."

The third year of the partnership was arguably the most successful year of the series. It was a faceoff of No. 1 versus No. 2 in front of an MIAA-record crowd of 26,695. No. 1 Pittsburg State defeated Northwest 21-17 for its first victory in the Fall Classic.

"Every year, that's the biggest crowd we play in front of by far," former head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We play in a National Championship game and we have 7,000-8,000 (fans). We play at Arrowhead and the first eight



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Redshirt freshman running back Denver Lohnes breaks a tackle on his way to a touchdown. Lohnes had six carries for 56 yards and a touchdown in Northwest's 70-17 win over Fort Hays State on Saturday at Bearcat Stadium.

years we've played there, we've averaged over 21,000."

The following year, Pitt State gave Northwest its last MIAA loss with a 56-33 victory.

The Bearcats have since won 45 straight MIAA contests, including the last four meetings with the Gorillas. Three of the last four games have come with both teams ranked in the Top 10.

Last year, the deal was signed to extend the Fall Classic at least

three more years, ending any doubt that this could be the final Fall Classic.

"It was very important (to get the extension)," Assistant Athletics Director Mark Clements said. "Not just financially, but it's become a part of the culture for both schools...It brings a lot of value to the institutions."

With all of its success, the Fall Classic is catching on around the country with a number of other

schools modeling games after Boerigter's idea. Schools in both Washington and Pennsylvania have played similar games in recent years.

"This year there's two I-AA schools that are playing in the (New England) Patriots stadium," Boerigter said. "The guy from the Patriots called me this summer and they're basically following the exact format and set-up we did at Arrowhead."



ERIC BAINES | NW MISSOURIAN

Junior wide receiver Tyler Shaw eyes a 34-yard touchdown catch. Shaw had three catches for 106 yards and two touchdowns in the 70-17 victory over Fort Hays.

SCHEDULES

NWMSU

Sept. 1	At Truman	W 65-3
Sept. 10	Sioux Falls	W 52-17
Sept. 17	At Lincoln	W 73-7
Sept. 24	Fort Hays State	W 70-17
Oct. 1	Pittsburg State	
Oct. 8	At Central Missouri	
Oct. 15	Eastern New Mexico	
Oct. 22	Washburn	
Oct. 29	At Missouri Southern	
Nov. 5	At Missouri Western	
Nov. 12	Emporia State	

Pittsburg State

Sept. 1	At Missouri Western	W 34-7
Sept. 10	Emporia State	W 38-14
Sept. 17	At Truman	W 27-26
Sept. 24	William Jewell	W 49-7
Oct. 1	Northwest	
Oct. 8	At Fort Hays State	
Oct. 15	Lincoln	
Oct. 22	At Central Missouri	
Nov. 5	Washburn	
Nov. 12	Missouri Southern	

GAME ESSENTIALS

When the Bearcats pass:

If you've watched any game this year so far, it's easy to see Northwest has no issues airing it out. Pitt State won't have the speed or athletic ability to hang with the likes of Tyler Shaw or Jake Soy.

EDGE>>>>CATS

When the Bearcats run:

The Gorillas have put together a stingy run defense so far. Despite the speed and elusiveness of James Franklin and Jordan Simmons, Pitt will be swarming the backfield and plugging holes throughout the game.

EDGE>>>>GORILLAS

When the Gorillas pass:

This should come as no surprise to Pitt or Northwest fans; the Gorillas can't throw the ball. Pitt is a one-dimensional team, leaving the Bearcats' secondary sitting in a good spot.

EDGE>>>>CATS

When the Gorillas run:

This one is going to leave Northwest's pride a little bruised. Despite being the traditional run-stopping go-liath, the 'Cats are going to have a tough time containing Pitt's Zac Dickey and Briceton Wilson. It will be one daunting task.

EDGE>>>>GORILLAS

X-Factor:

Zac Dickey breezed through the Northwest defense last season. He finished with 157 yards on the ground, but threw for only 119 yards. However, the 'Cats know he wants to win with his feet.

EDGE>>>>GORILLAS

PITT STATE STARTERS

Pitt State Offense

QB	6	Zac Dickey	SR
RB	33	Briceton Wilson	JR
WR	1	Andrew Castaneda	JR
WR	20	Jon Thomas	SR
WR	5	John Brown	SO
TE	88	Bristan Kelley	SR
LT	67	Nick Pugh	JR
LG	78	Kell Smalley	SR
C	79	Tyler Smith	FR
RG	76	Ty Henry	SR
RT	77	Cody Holland	SO

Pitt State Defense

DE	46	Spencer Worthington	SR
NG	99	J.R. Jones	SR
DT	91	Cody Moore	SR
DE	98	Gus Toca	JR
LB	44	Luke Stringer	SR
LB	11	Nate Dreiling	SO
CB	8	Aries Herrion	FR
SS	7	Paul Robinson	SR
FS	21	Chas Smith	JR
WS	4	Jason Peete	FR
CB	3	Elijah Olabode	SR

NORTHWEST STARTERS

Northwest Offense

QB	14	Blake Christopher	SR
RB	5	Jordan Simmons	JR
WR	1	Jake Soy	SR
WR	4	Tyler Shaw	JR
WR	88	Taylor Pierce	SR
TE	85	Kyle Kilgore	SR
LT	75	Rod Williams	JR
LG	74	CJ Keeney	SO
C	65	Cole Chevalier	RSF
RG	76	Cody Johnson	SR
RT	71	John Petroff	JR

Northwest Defense

DE	95	Matt Meinert	JR
DT	99	Josh Lorenson	SR
NG	54	Aaron Terry	SR
DE	97	Ricky Bailey	SO
LB	36	D.J. Gnader	RSF
LB	41	Landan Zaputil	JR
LB	50	Chad Kilgore	SR
CB	24	Caleb Decius	SR
FS	20	Derrick Hightower	SR
SS	21	Nate DeJong	JR
CB	28	Derrick Thomas	SR

PITTSBURG STATE NOTES

Location: Pittsburg, Kan.

Founded: 1903

Enrollment: 7,127

Colors: Crimson & Gold

Nickname: Gorillas


Division: Division II

Conference: MIAA

All-Time Record: 647-326-47

Head Coach: Tim Beck

Coach's Record: 10-6



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Fall Classic brings fans, teams together

"It's always exciting to play down there in an NFL environment, especially against Pitt State. It's one of our biggest rivalries, so it's always a pretty cool environment to play in front of that many people."

Aaron Terry



1-Fan cheers on the Bearcats at last years Fall Classic. 2-A horde of Bearcats push the pile against Pitt State last year at Arrowhead Stadium. 3-Senior wide receiver Jake Soy enters his final Fall Classic with zero career touchdowns against the rival Gorillas. 4-Bearcat Spirit Squad perform at Northwest Night at Power and Light last year the night before The Fall Classic football game. 5-Former Bearcat quarterback Blake Bolles was 2-0 in The Fall Classic. FILE PHOTOS | NW MISSOURIAN



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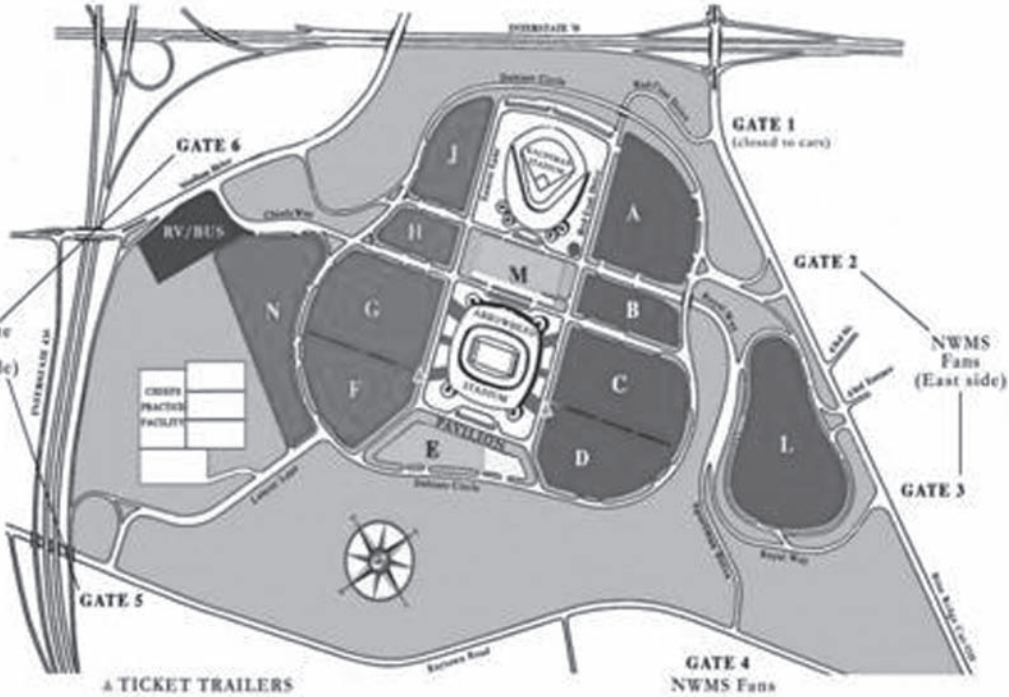
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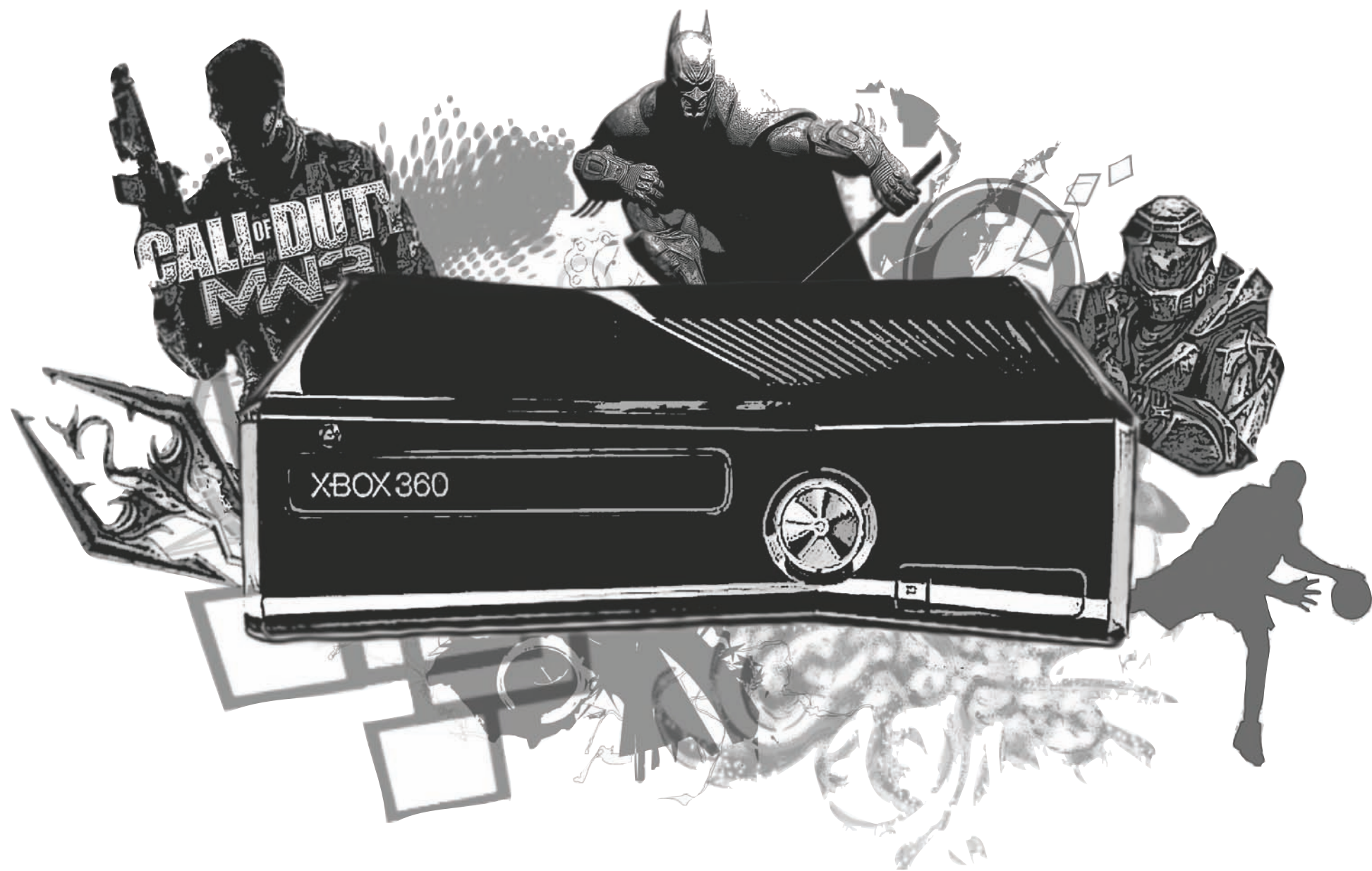
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THESE AREN'T YOUR DADDY'S VIDEO GAMES



Video game season is upon us, pick up your controller and claim your destiny.

Ben Lawson
Features Editor

Game developers save their big releases for the fall season every year and this year is no different. Some of the biggest franchises in gaming are putting out new releases this fall. In the coming months, gamers can say goodbye to the honor roll and welcome a dark room, lit only by the soft glow of the TV screen.

The Elder Scroll V: Skyrim

Dwarves, elves, swords, castles, magic and dragons await role playing gamers Nov. 11, with the release of The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim. It doesn't look like much has changed since 2006's The Elder Scrolls V: Oblivion, but hey, if its not broken don't fix it.

Developer Bethesda Studios made a name for itself by creating immersive game worlds. Players customize every aspect of their character: gender, species, skin color and height. Gamers can play the game however they feel: as a magical bastion of good or a sword-bearing thief. The world is truly your oyster in Skyrim.

Halo: Combat Evolved Anniversary Edition

It has been almost a decade since Master Chief landed on the first Halo ring and now fans can experience it all over again with high definition graphics and a modern multiplayer experience Nov. 15. The remake of Combat Evolved should provide the same experience as the original but all the perks of a next generation console.

What will excite fans the most is they can now compete in multiplayer matches over Xbox Live on all the same maps from the original game.

The campaign mode will definitely trigger some nostalgic moments. Players will roam the same grassy valleys, snowy fields and mountain ranges but with stunning, high definition graphics.

Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3

Looks like it is that time of year for the release of yet another Call of Duty game. Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 3 will be the eighth game to be released by the franchise on Nov. 8 and it doesn't appear to be a far cry from its predecessors.

It is no secret that Call of Duty

draws in gamers because of its addictive multiplayer which is surprising, because it never changes much and it doesn't look like it will in Modern Warfare 3 either. But the game is still being pre-ordered at a record setting pace according to Gamestop.

One of the few fresh and promising additions to the franchise is Survival Mode. Players fight wave after wave of enemies as they scramble to collect cash for ammo, weapons, airstrikes and more.

Batman: Arkham City

The caped crusader is back in all his crime fighting glory in the sequel to 2009's Batman: Arkham Asylum. Arkham City looks like the game comic book fans have been waiting for. This game, scheduled for release Oct. 18, appears to represent the comics better than any previous game based on a comic book.

Players have access to Batman's entire toolbelt. Everything from bat-rangs to zip lines must be utilized to keep the streets of Gotham safe.

This time around players won't only be fighting as Batman but also as Catwoman. It's unclear how much this will change the gameplay but the addition of this classic character is definitely a plus. The list of villains includes old favorites like Two Face, The Riddler, Hugo Strange and, of course, The Joker.

NBA 2K12

After gracing the cover of NBA 2K11, His Airness is back again for NBA 2K12 along with fellow NBA Hall of Famers Magic Johnson and Larry Bird as this year's cover athletes. Players have the unique choice of picking one of three covers for the only NBA game on the market.

New to this year's game is the NBA Greatest mode, which relives some of the greatest players in NBA history's best games. Greatest mode takes the place of the Jordan Challenge from 2K11.

Back this year is My Player mode, which allows players to create a player and guide him through an NBA career. Tweaks have been made to My Player, as well as the rest of the game, making players look even more realistic in their movements. My Player has also been modified to allow players to create their own shoes and jumpshot on the road to the NBA Hall of Fame.

To date, the Halo franchise has grossed \$2.2 billion



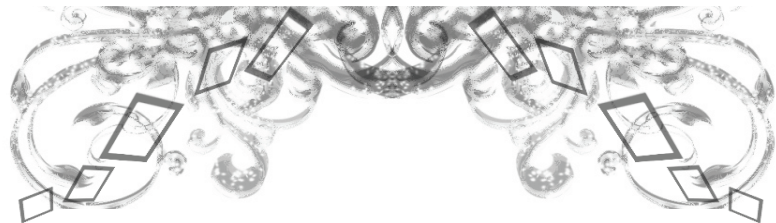
When 2k11 was released in Oct. of last year it was the #1 selling game that month with 1.15 million in sales



Skyrim will boast at least 300 hours of gameplay



Batman Arkham Asylum, released in Aug. 2009, was the 4th best selling game that month and has grossed nearly \$2 million to date



THE STROLLER

Your Man on liquor bottle decoration

It is with grave sadness that I, Your Man, inform you of another unexpected casualty. My bro, Huck Norris (no relation, and yes, he does get that a lot), recently fell victim to the latest nationwide epidemic: arranging empty liquor bottles around his home like decoration. Let's all have a moment of silence for Huck, who some say doesn't sleep. He waits... for his roommate to quit playing Hungry Hungry Hippos with that girl from 6A, and then he can go to sleep.

Let me just put this out there: I love the holy grape/grain/bear urine (aka Wild Turkey) as much as the next guy. But arranging your empties into clever formations like plastic army men is a pretty desperate way to show people that you know how to have a good time.

Is that your best conversation starter? "Yeah, me and Jeb polished off that fifth of Absolut (this story is already off to a bad

start) one night while we moved that emptied mini keg of Heinekin from one side of the cabinet the other side." Cool story, bro.

Well, you know what's coming next – a quick fix. So here's what you do, Huck. After you're done shotgunning that MGD, before you do anything else, place it gingerly in your trashcan (some day you can move up to recycling, but I believe in baby steps). Then, summon every ounce of strength in your being and simply leave it alone. Try to forget it ever existed.

Sure, you had good times with it. Yeah, you could probably tell a story about it later. But it's dead to you now. Huck, it's time to move on. Try to kill two stones with one bird, okay? Someone told me you can do it.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.



LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

Needtobreathe blends genres on latest release



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Sarah Thomack
Missourian Reporter

Many Needtobreathe fans holding their breath in anticipation for the new album are now breathing a sigh of relief as it is well worth the wait.

The fourth studio album from Needtobreathe, *The Reckoning*, is packed with talent and passion too intense to be taken in with one or two listens. The entire album still contains the same southern charm and style from their previous albums but a definite difference can be heard. *The Reckoning* showcases their growth as songwriters, musicians and people.

Drummer, Joe Stillwell, in an interview with Campus Circle, said, "‘Reckoning’ means a settlement of something, and this album is our way of proving to our fans that we can live up to their expectations."

Needtobreathe has built a solid fan base due to their energy packed live performances. Almost every song in *The Reckoning* has the potential to be even better at a live show.

The *Reckoning* begins with

the rollicking anthem, "Oohs and Ahhs" and that energy and passion continues throughout the album. "Slumber" starts out soft and builds up to an inspiring call to live life to the fullest. Lead singer, Bear Rinehart sings, "Lazy mornings they multiply. Glory's waiting outside your window. Wake on up from your slumber."

In each song, the attention to detail and the intricate melodies make every song a distinct work of art. The unexpected bagpipes on "A Place Only You Can Go" make a slow song into an epic slow song. That seems to be the only way they know how to make music.

Other slow songs, including "Able" and "Tyrant Kings" have either a build up to a rousing, inspiring ending or other elements that make it interesting. Banjos, harmonica, bagpipes, hand clapping and group singing are all elements for a great album and Needtobreathe utilizes them with perfection.

Descriptive labels are hard to stick on Needtobreathe. Rock, southern rock, country, does it matter? They are charming southern boys who are good at what they do.

Needtobreathe recently toured with Taylor Swift per her personal invitation. Many of their upcoming shows are sold out and it is no surprise as their music, especially *The Reckoning*, begs to be played live and loudly.



Artist: Needtobreathe
Album: The Reckoning
Release date: Sept. 20 2011
Production Company: Atlantic Records
Run time: 55:30 minutes

WHAT'S HOT

The Lion King 3-D

For the second weekend in a row, this Disney classic reigned supreme atop the box office bringing in over \$22 million. Four new movies were unable to dethrone this 17-year-old film.

Gears of War 3

Microsoft's exclusive shooter for the Xbox 360 topped video game sales charts this week. Sales during the first day topped 1.3 million and sales are expected to increase as the holiday season approaches.

WHAT'S NOT

Glee

The third season of Fox's hit show premiered down 32 percent in ratings compared to last year. With just 8.9 million viewers, a cast shake up and stale story lines may be trouble for this musical drama.

Blockbuster

Blockbuster announced their own streaming service last week to rival that of Netflix. Not only does it offer a fraction of the movies and television shows that Netflix does, but you must have Dish Network to use it. Subscribers should just stick with Netflix.

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SETH COOK | NW MISSOURIAN

Junior running back Derek Stiens races past the LeBlond defense on his way to the end zone. Stiens carried the ball nine times for 200 yards and four touchdowns while also catching a four-yard touchdown pass in the Spoofhound victory.

TRANSFERS

CONTINUED FROM A12

With both Von Mende and Eiberger having sat out the season before, Hoza believes they still can improve. “Everyday in practice we can see them wanting to get better, to compete, and get back into the swing of playing games,” Hoza said. Although the ‘Cats lean heavily on the two transfers for goals, Hoza credits the rest of the team for the quick start as well.

“Its a combination of the players, the newcomers and the returners,” Hoza said. “It’s a mix of both of them together is when you start to perform better.”

However, not everything has gone smoothly for Von Mende and Eiberger.

Both were held scoreless in their 4-0 against No. 15 Central Missouri last Thursday at Bearcat Pitch.

“I think we couldn’t get a lot going. Its not about just one player, its about the whole team getting things going and doing things right,” Hoza said. “I think that why the more we do things right from the back to upwards, the more we will score. I don’t think they necessarily had bad games, it was just a combination of things.”

Eiberger and Von Mende have the scoring record in their sights as the Bearcats hit the pitch again at 3 p.m today to play Missouri Southern at Bearcat Pitch.



SETH COOK | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior forward Tammie Eiberger takes a shot in Northwest’s 4-0 loss to Central Missouri last Thursday. Eiberger leads the MIAA in goals, with seven, and is second in the conference in shots attempted with 23.

SPORTS NOTES

Sports Staff

Maryville wins 1st MEC title since 1995

All five Spoofhounds earned All-MEC honors at the MEC meet on Monday, en route to another victory.

Maryville won the event by 44 strokes, shooting a team 374.

In addition to the All-MEC honors, the girls claimed the school’s first girl’s golf conference title since 1995.

Senior Brooke Byland and junior Megan Shell each shot 93. Byland won a one-hole playoff to

take fifth, while Shell settled for sixth.

Juniors Jessica Pfost, Taylor Maughan and Meghan Klaas all shot 94. Maughan won a playoff to finish seventh.

Klaas and Pfost finished eighth and ninth, respectively.

The ‘Hounds went for their fourth straight district title yesterday at Mazingo Golf Course.

Results were unavailable as of press time.

‘Hounds fall to defending MEC champs

Junior Shannon Johnson was one of the lone bright spots in the Spoofhounds’ home dual against LeBlond on Monday.

Maryville lost 6-3 to the defending MEC Champions at the Northwest High Rise Courts.

Johnson took an 8-4 victory at No. 3 singles and teamed with senior Morgan Shippis at No. 2 doubles to take another point from the Golden Eagles, 8-6.

Senior Elena Bellamy got the other win for the ‘Hounds, a 9-7 victory at No. 5 singles.

Junior Mara Veasey fell short at No. 1 singles 8-6.

At No. 2 singles junior Emily Schreck fell 8-4.

Shippis and junior Abi Shipley lost 3-8 at No. 3 and No. 6, respectively.

Veasey and Schreck lost 8-2 in No. 1 doubles while Bellamy and Shipley fell 8-4 in No. 3 doubles.

Maryville plays at 4 p.m. today at the Northwest High Rise Courts against Benton in their last dual before district play.

Goodall leads Spoofhounds to 2nd place

Senior Damon Goodall won the Lafayette Invitational Tuesday.

Goodall topped 54 other runners and led the Spoofhounds to a second place finish, two points behind Benton.

He just missed a career best.

Senior Taylor Worthington took fourth for the second straight meet, finishing 51 seconds behind Goodall in 18:52.

Senior Tyler Haddock finished

eighth while freshman Ben Sporleder came in 13th to round out the ‘Hound’s medalists.

Senior Chaz Moore just missed out on medaling by two spots, coming in 22nd.

Junior Sydney Rogers finished third out of 40 girls in 23:07, one of her stronger performances of the season.

The ‘Hounds are back in action at 9 a.m. Saturday at Savannah High School.

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NW SOCCER

MIAA STANDINGS	Overall	MIAA
NORTHWEST.....	3-2-2	1-0
Truman St.....	3-3-2	1-0
Washburn.....	1-6-1	1-0
Central Mo.....	7-1	0-0
Mo. Western.....	2-3	0-0
Emporia St.....	1-3-3	0-0
Fort Hays.....	3-4-1	0-1
S.W. Baptist.....	1-6-1	0-1
Mo. Southern.....	0-6-1	0-1

September 29:

Mo. Southern at NORTHWEST
Mo. Western at Washburn
S.W. Baptist at Central Mo.

October 1:

NORTHWEST at Neb.-Omaha
Washburn at S.W. Baptist
Truman St. at Fort Hays
Central Mo. at Mo. Western

NW VOLLEYBALL

MIAA STANDINGS	Overall	MIAA
Washburn.....	11-1	4-0
Central Mo.....	9-3	3-0
Emporia St.....	7-4	2-1
S.W. Baptist.....	6-6	2-2
Pitt. State.....	4-10	2-2
Truman St.....	6-5	1-2
Mo. Western.....	5-6	1-2
NORTHWEST.....	4-7	1-2
Mo. Southern.....	3-9	1-3
Fort Hays.....	9-6	1-4

September 30:

Mo. Southern at St. Mary’s
NORTHWEST at Midwestern St.
S.W. Baptist at Dallas Baptist

NW FOOTBALL

MIAA STANDINGS	Overall	MIAA
NORTHWEST.....	4-0	3-0
Pitt. State.....	4-0	3-0
Washburn.....	4-0	3-0
Central Mo.....	3-1	3-1
Mo. Western.....	2-2	1-2
Mo. Southern.....	1-2	1-2
Fort Hays.....	1-3	1-2
Truman St.....	1-3	1-3
Emporia St.....	1-3	0-3
Lincoln (Mo.).....	1-3	0-3

October 1:

Washburn at Emporia St.
Truman at McKendree
Arkansas Tech at Central Mo.
Fort Hays at Lincoln (Mo.)
Pitt. State at NORTHWEST
(Fall Classic X at Arrowhead)
Mo. Western at Mo. Southern

MHS FOOTBALL

MEC STANDINGS	Overall	MEC
MARYVILLE.....	5-0	3-0
Smithville.....	4-1	4-1
Savannah.....	4-1	2-1
Benton.....	3-1	2-1
Lafayette.....	3-2	1-2
Chillicothe.....	3-2	1-2
Cameron.....	1-4	1-2
Bishop LeBlond.....	0-5	0-5

September 30:

MARYVILLE at Benton
Savannah at Chillicothe
Lafayette at Cameron
LeBlond at Smithville

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Tough showdown awaits against ‘wiley’ Cardinals

CHRIS SCHOONOVER
Chief Sports Reporter

After last week’s 59-7 beatdown of Bishop LeBlond, the Spoofhounds prepare for tougher test in St. Joseph this week.

“Offensively, the biggest difference was once we got into space, they didn’t have the ability to catch us,” head coach Chris Holt said. “Defensively, the coaches were pretty upset. We gave up a lot of rushing yards and we weren’t very physical.

Junior running back Derek Stiens had no problems getting into space, as he had 200 yards on nine carries and four touchdowns. He also caught a 4-yard touchdown pass.

“The only thing (Stiens) remembers is the fumble right before half,” Holt said. “He’s been a big part of our backfield, so he understands the importance of that.”

Defensively, the Spoofhounds were led by senior cornerback Tyler Walter, with two interceptions.

With those two interceptions, Walter put his mark in Spoofhound record books. The interceptions were his 13th and 14th interceptions of his career, making him the school’s all-time interception leader.

“Tyler always goes out and plays. That’s one thing you never have to worry about,” Holt said. “Last year he had a broken hand, so he had

some opportunities that he dropped because he had a club on his hand, or he would have had the record last year.”

Benton (3-1, 2-1 MEC) comes into this week fresh off a 27-10 victory over conference foe Chillicothe.

The Cardinals rushed for 208 yards and only passed the ball six times.

“They struggled with interceptions against Cameron, so they came out with a three-back look against Chillicothe and really pounded the ball,” Holt said.

Even with Benton’s success running the ball last week, Holt still expects the ball in the air often.

“I still think in my heart that they want to throw the football,” Holt said. “They’ve always been a passing football team. I know Coach Tabor and he’s pretty wiley, so I’m expecting him to spread us out.”

The ‘Hounds have been beat up the last few weeks, with injuries to some of their top players including top-rusher junior fullback Cole Forney and junior linebacker Jordan Zech.

“We have a trainer on staff, so we need to start taking advantage of that,” Holt said. “Don’t be a hero sometimes. Go get extra care.”

The Spoofhounds go on the road to take on Benton at 7 p.m. Friday at Benton High School in St. Joseph.



SETH COOK | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior wide receiver Tyler Walter stiff-arms a LeBlond defender during a punt return Friday. Walter amassed a touchdown reception, two interceptions and 134 return yards. With his two interceptions, he broke the program record for career picks with 14.



LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

Senior middle blocker Sidney Schenkel spikes the ball back over a Lafayette opponent on Tuesday at Maryville High School. The Spoofhounds won 2-0.

Volleyball grabs conference victory

DALTON VITT
Missourian Reporter

The Maryville volleyball team dominated on Tuesday night against Lafayette, thanks to fast starts in both of their matches.

In the first match, the Spoofhounds were able to jump out to a quick 10-1 lead, forcing Lafayette to burn an early timeout. The timeout seemed to pay off with a short string of Lafayette points. After the Irish pulled the score to 14-5, the ‘Hounds went on an 11-1 run to end the game, with a final score of 25-6.

“We had a really good warm-up and I think it carried over into the first game,” head coach Lori Klaus said. “The girls were pumped up and it was really easy to stay excited the whole game.”

Match two started with another early run from Maryville to seemingly put the game out of reach. However, Lafayette was much more competitive and put together sev-

eral short-lived rallies.

Late in the match, the ‘Hounds found themselves stuck at 23 points during a short rally from the Irish. Maryville regrouped and finally put the game away, 25-16.

Maryville and Lafayette played each other three times before Tuesday, and the Irish were able to come away with a victory in one of those games.

“I thought we hit the ball really well,” Klaus said. “I mean, volleyball is a game of errors, and whoever has the least (errors) wins.”

Senior Sammy Keller led the team in kills with six and aces with three.

“(Sammy) has a really hard serve, and sometimes it’s not as consistent, but a lot of times it will get her an ace. It’s very hard to return,” Klaus said.

Senior Kaylee Green dominated at the net and led the way with three blocks.

Juniors Jessa and Alyssa Stiens

“Volleyball is a game of errors, and whoever has the least (errors) wins.”

Lori Klaus

came up with nine digs and sixteen assists, respectively.

Maryville’s next match is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. tonight at Savannah High School.

Savannah is winless so far this season in conference play, with a record of 0-3.

Klaus is confident that her team will be able to pull off a conference win against the Savages, especially after their huge victory Tuesday.

“I know they lost to Lafayette two weeks ago,” Klaus said. “So we’re going to get excited and go and get another win in conference.”

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Trevor Adams



Sophomore quarterback Trevor Adams went 17-23 for 346 yards and four touchdown passes Saturday against Fort Hays State. It was Adams’ first home start for the Bearcats.

Steph Charteris



Freshman Steph Charteris collected her first collegiate win at the Fort Hays State Fall Invitational on Tuesday. She shot a 165 to win the two-day tournament.

Derek Stiens



Junior fullback Derek Stiens led the ‘Hounds in rushing with 200 yards on nine carries and four touchdowns. Stiens also caught a 4-yard touchdown pass against Bishop LeBlond.

Tyler Walter



Senior cornerback Tyler Walter had two interceptions in a 59-7 victory against Bishop LeBlond. The two interceptions gave him the all-time record for career interceptions.

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Transfers spark 'Cats revival

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TAMMIE EIBERGER



TORI VON MENDE

Seven games into the season, the Bearcat soccer team has already matched last year's win total on the strength of two transfers that are leading the MIAA in goals.

Senior forward Tammie Eiberger took an unusual route to Northwest. She transferred to Northwest from Saginaw Valley State where she won Forward after the Year in the 2006-2007 season.

"Tammie has been out a while, actually. She transferred and sat out a couple of years," head coach Tracy Hoza said. "She is married and last year she sat out, because she had her first child, Aaron."

Eiberger leads the MIAA with seven goals early in the season and is second in shots attempted with 23.

Eiberger was the MIAA Player of the Week in the first week of the season after she scored four goals on the opening weekend.

"I think she had a great summer and a great spring," Hoza said. "She was just ready to go and was excited to finally play."

"I think the anticipation of waiting so long to play helped her to be motivated to play."

Eiberger is not the only transfer making an impact this season.

Sophomore forward Tori Von Mende transferred from Iowa Western Community College, where she scored 18 goals and added 13 assists for the No. 5 team in the nation.

"She sat out last year as well, so she had that same motivation to want to play and be part of a team again," Hoza said.

Von Mende was the MIAA Player of the Week for the second week of the season after she scored two goals in a 2-2 draw with Newman University. She is also tied for second in the MIAA with six goals.

Both players are close to the Northwest season goal record, eight, and Hoza expects them to surpass that soon.

"They are both goal scorers and are motivated to score, its what they like to do," Hoza said.

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Sophomore forward Tori Von Mende attempts a shot on goal in the 'Cats loss to Missouri Southern, Sept. 22. Von Mende as well as fellow transfer Tammie Eidberger have provided a boost to the squad, already helping them match their win total from last year. SETH COOK | NW MISSOURIAN

Fall Classic offers rewards, challenges

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The Fall Classic against Pittsburg State is a homecoming of sorts for more than 20 players on the Northwest roster.

Junior left tackle Rod Williams is one of those players, growing up a Chiefs fan in Grandview.

"To be able to go back and play in front of my friends and family, people who've come out to support me during high school, little league and all that, to be at this point in my career where I'm at now and go back and play in Arrowhead Stadium is surreal," Williams said.

"The best part of it is just being at Arrowhead, really. Growing up, it's always been a dream of mine. I remember I used to have an inflatable Chiefs helmet. I'm Kansas City through and through, so being able to play in that venue is a dream come true. It's something I will cherish and one of those moments you know you'll never forget."

For the rest of the players, especially the ones new to the program, having a game at Arrowhead Stadium is a drastic change from Bearcat Stadium.

"It's a challenge. Everything looks fun and everyone is all happy and then the game starts and it is hard," head coach Adam Dorrel said. "It is a hard thing to simulate. It's hard to play there with the noise

and atmosphere. You have to really gain your composure early, so from that aspect, if you haven't experienced it, it's tough."

The 10th edition of The Fall Classic is a measuring stick game for the No. 1 'Cats, even though they have won the last five meetings and seven of the nine overall.

Last year, the Bearcats escaped with a 22-16 win over the Gorillas.

"Pitt State's always relevant to us. Last year, they were 5-5, but you can't overlook Pitt State," Williams said. "The program, the tradition; it's just like us. They take their football very seriously. Whether they're up or down, we know we're going to get a good game out of them. We never overlook this game on our schedule. It's always one of the highpoints and measuring sticks every year."

Senior quarterback Blake Christopher will be back under center this game after sitting out the last two weeks with a broken hand.

"I told a guy today, 'Christopher, you'd have to chop his hand off to keep him out,'" Dorrel said. "...I'm happy for him because he's a senior, he's from the Kansas City area, because he's worked really hard to run out of that tunnel Saturday."

In his absence, sophomore quarterback Trevor Adams threw for 593 yards and eight touchdowns with just two interceptions.

Pitt State comes into The Fall



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Senior wide receiver Jake Soy hauls in a pass off a tipped ball from sophomore quarterback Trevor Adams.

Classic 4-0 and ranked No. 15 in the country and fresh off a 49-7 win over William Jewell.

"It's just different when you both come into the game undefeated, you're both ranked in the top 20," Dorrel said. "I think it helps when that game is in the middle of the season. I think there's a lot of anticipation that builds up to it."

The Gorillas ran for 348 yards last week and lead the conference in rushing yards at almost 300 yards per game.

"That's going to definitely be a

challenge trying to stop their quarterback and their running game, but as far as Bearcat defense, we take pride in stopping the run," senior nose tackle Aaron Terry said. "We're going to have to go out there and be physical and make plays"

Defensively, Pitt State plays five defensive backs, severely limiting big play opportunities for their opponents.

"We've had so many big plays," Dorrel said. "They don't allow big plays. They're trying to play a few safeties and keep the ball inside

and in front of them."

Kick-off is set for 2:07 p.m. Saturday at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City.

The game will also be broadcast live on the MIAA Broadcast Network.

"We're a whole different team than we were last year," Terry said. "We don't really look at last year. We watch film just to see some of the players they have and just try to get the matchups. It's a new year, so we'll have to come out and make another statement."



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Junior kicker Todd Adolf shows off his new uniform during the National Anthem last Saturday.

'Cats join in on nation-wide jersey craze

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The Bearcats new alternate jerseys serve as more than just a tribute to late head coach Scott Bostwick.

Northwest came out for Family day in black jerseys and donned red paws on its helmets in place of the customary white ones to honor Bostwick.

"(Boswick) always wanted an alternate set of tops, ever since I've been here," head coach Adam Dorrel said. "He'd always talked about it. I thought it was a special time for our kids."

As part of the University's switch from Nike to Adidas as the primary athletic sponsor, Bostwick bartered the deal to get the football team a third jersey. Like many schools around the country, Northwest went with a black jersey, following the likes of Oregon, Arizona State, Wyoming, Boise

State, Maryland and Oklahoma State in stockpiling jerseys.

That's not to say that the Bearcats will add a new jersey or set of uniforms each year a la Oregon, which has more than 384 different uniform combinations, but I think they will continue to tweak their new uniforms by adding detail to them in coming years.

Many of the Big 12 schools got new uniforms this season or added an alternate set. Mizzou debuted their Nike Pro Combat uniform last season. Oklahoma State now has four different complete sets to mix and match: white, black, orange and grey. Kansas also has alternate red jerseys that they wear for special games and increased the size of the Jayhawk on the back of all of their jerseys.

If nothing else, the Bearcats now have a jersey to wear each season for the Fall Classic, Homecoming or Family Weekend each year, just to give the team a different look, much like Kansas does.

It's not only major college programs that are adding or redesigning their uni-

forms. Central Missouri, among others, made a few tweaks to their uniforms prior to the season, but the changes weren't as major as what Northwest, Fort Hays State and Missouri Western did by switching sponsors.

Going to the Cincinnati Bearcats look has been a positive for Northwest. Fan and player reactions have been mostly positive toward the new look, but t's only the tip of the iceberg.

By getting one new alternate jersey, the 'Cats will almost undoubtedly invest in another set of pants or add more detail to their current jerseys as the budget allows for additional spending by the football program.

Green pants seem most likely, but in this day and age, nothing seems too far fetched after everything that Oregon has done over the years or the horrendous jerseys that Maryland wore in their game.

Hopefully, the Bearcats know when to call it quits and not push their uniforms to that level.

The jersey craze has finally hit Northwest, and it's only just the beginning.